

Institute of Physics

LONDON AND SOUTH EASTERN BRANCH REMS SECTION Visit to HISTORIC GUILDFORD, Thursday 21 July 2005

This visit has been organised by George Freeman

Guildford is an ancient town, probably settled in the 6th century. We shall see some of the historic buildings.

In the morning we will have a guided tour of the town. We visit the Castle where King Henry III's luxurious palace once stood, the Guildhall which is Elizabethan with a Carolean front, 17th C Guildford House, the Museum, the Jacobean Almshouses and a medieval undercroft, said to be the best in the country. Our guide will be Marjorie Williams with assistance from John Adams (MInstP).

After lunch we will divide into two groups. The first can explore the castle display (£1 EH), the museum or the town. There will be a short tour for the other group of 20 (limited by space) of the Elizabethan Grammar School visiting the old buildings and the chained library. The school is not normally open to the public. Our Guide will be the Headmaster's secretary, Mary Buylla.

We will reassemble at Dapdune Wharf, in the teahouse. There will be a lecture on the history of the river Wey and its canal (Wey Navigation of 1650) followed by a tour of the Wharf.

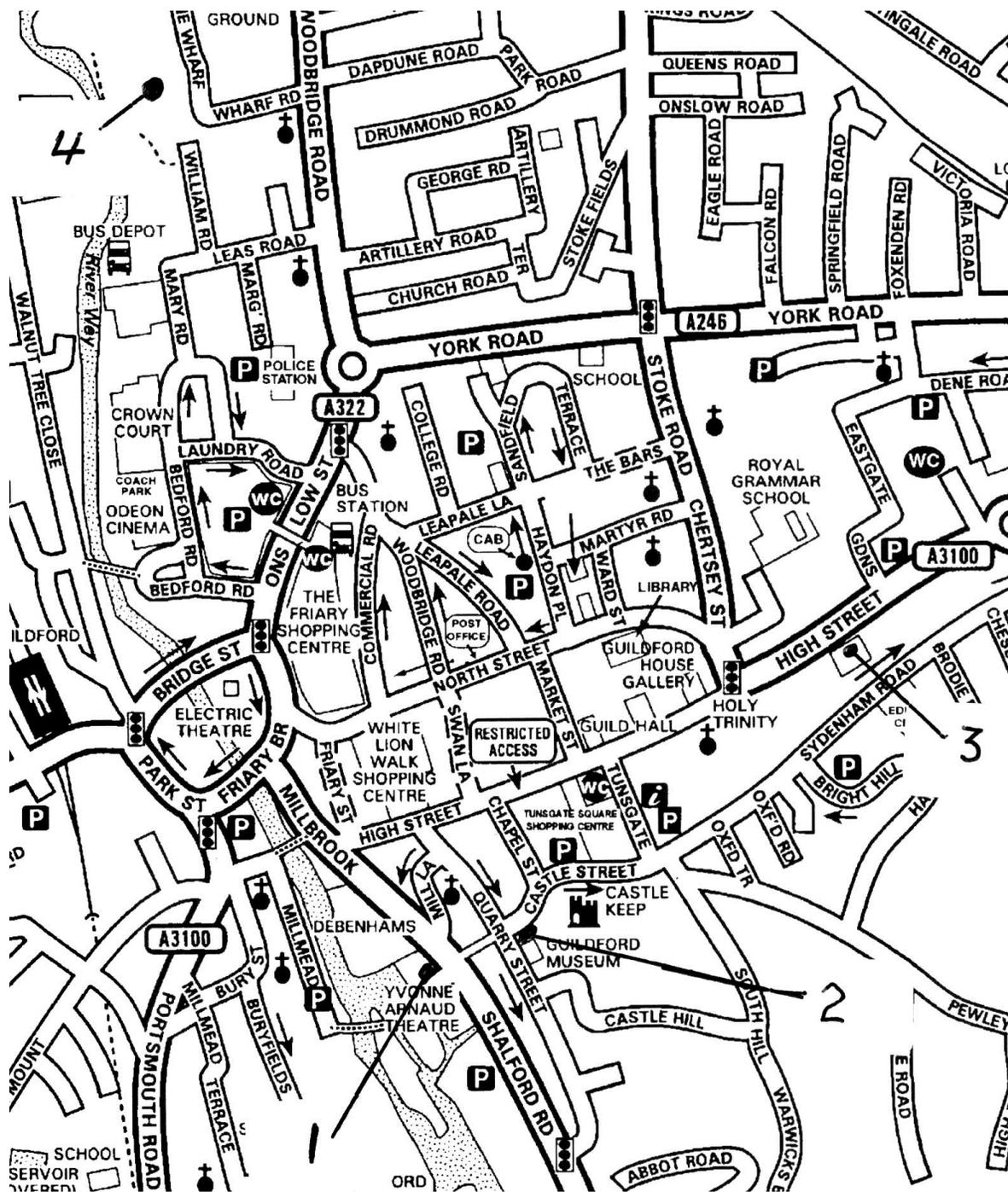
10.30 – 11.00	Assemble in Yvonne Arnaud Theatre Café (1). Toilets, coffee, etc
11.00	Meet our guides, talk and tour, in two groups if necessary
13.00	Lunch can be taken in the theatre (1) (licensed for lager and wine), The Kings Head (between the theatre and castle)(2), the Weyside Inn, one of the numerous restaurants or sandwich bars near the castle, or picnic in the castle grounds
14.00	Visit the museum or assemble in the courtyard of the school (3)
15.30	Assemble in the café at Dapdune Wharf. Tea, toilets etc. Meet the NT guide for talk and guided tour

Transport. Parking in central Guildford is very limited and expensive. If travelling by car, please use one of the park & rides. Rail travel is good with four fast trains per hour (Portsmouth train) taking 35 minutes or two slow ones taking an hour.

Comfortable shoes are recommended as there will be a lot of walking and Guildford is hilly.

Cost. £4 for NT members or £7 for non-members. Bring your NT card.

GUILDFORD CITY CENTRE



- 1 Assemble at the theatre.
- 2 Kings Head. The Weyside Inn is along the Shalford Road.
- 3 Elizabethan school buildings
- 4 Dapdune Wharf. About 10 minutes walk from the town centre. Turn left in front of the cricket ground.